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SUBJECT : VISIT OF MINISTER ECONOMY AND FINANCE ISMAEL TOURE

1. HAVE JUST RECEIVED WYGANT MEMO OF AUGUST 30 CONCERNING AF/W DISCUSSION WITH GUINEAN AMBASSADOR ON ISMAEL TOURE VISIT. NOTE PARTICULARLY THAT AMBASSADOR TOURE SAID THAT MINISTER MIGHT LIKE TO CALL ON MAYOR WASHINGTON AND CONGRESSMAN DIGGS. BELIEVE IT WOULD BE GREATLY IN OUR INTEREST TO ENCOURAGE THESE APPOINTMENTS AS WELL AS APPOINTMENTS WITH OTHER SUCCESSFUL BLACK AMERICANS IN GOVERNMENT OR BUSINESS. ONE NAME THAT COMES TO MIND THAT MIGHT BE MOST USEFUL IS GOVERNOR BRIMMER OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD.

2. REASON FOR UTILITY OF SUCH CALLS IS THAT SEKOU TOURE IS ACTIVELY ESTABLISHING CONTACTS WITH MEMBERS OF LEFT-WING BLACK GROUPS IN THE US AND FREQUENTLY INVITES THEM (AT THEIR URGING) TO GUINEA. MOST RECENTLY ANGELA DAVIS SPENT A WEEK HERE. WHENEVER THERE IS A NATIONAL CELEBRATION IN GUINEA TO WHICH INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TOURE INVITES REPRESENTATIVES OF EXTREME LEEFT-WING GROUP TO "REPRESENT UNITED STATES." HE EVIDENTLY UNAWARE OF OTHER SEGMENTS OF BLACK OPINION IN US REPRESENTED BY SUCCESSFUL PEOPLE IN GOVERNMENT PROFESSIONS AND INDUSTRY.
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